



# Association of Community Councils Together

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TO: Central Wasatch Commission  
Office of Congresswoman Mia Love (UT-4)

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The Association of Community Councils Together (ACCT) is a nonprofit organization made up of 16 Community Councils, 6 of which are in Metro Townships, 4 in Millcreek and 6 in unincorporated Salt Lake County with over 140,000 residents. Those unincorporated communities, Metro Townships and Millcreek include; Big Cottonwood, Canyon Rim, Copperton, East Mill Creek, Emigration Canyon, Granite, Kearns, Magna, Millcreek, Mt. Olympus, Parleys, Sandy Hills, White City, Willow Canyon, and Willow Creek.

On behalf of the members of ACCT, the Board is requesting that you delay moving forward on the FEDERAL LEGISLATION REGARDING LAND DESIGNATIONS in the Central Wasatch.

ACCT supports the positions of Big Cottonwood Canyon and Granite Community Councils and continues to oppose the designation until their issues and concerns are addressed.

As Big Cottonwood noted in their position statement, transportation/parking and sanitation solutions are desperately needed. Infrastructure improvement should be the focus before a federal designation is imposed that could attract more visitors. The Granite Community Council has the same issues in addition to their concern on White Pine Reservoir Dam access.

ACCT asks the question as to whether the Utah State Legislature is in support of this action.

We cannot support the Central Wasatch Conservation and Recreation Area Act at this time.

Your consideration of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Nancy Carlson-Gotts  
President, ACCT

And on the trails issues, Trails Utah, Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee, and Salt Lake Valley Trails Society are not happy with prohibiting mountain bikes on existing BST and White Pine, as are in the bill now. These entities have put this in writing several times, have at Central Wasatch commission meetings several times and did the legislative bus tour and talked about these issues.

**John Knoblock – Millcreek (Mount Olympus) Resident**

Although we continue to hear that additional designation is necessary to protect the canyons and to preserve our watershed, I think some forget the numerous layers and bureaucracy that we already have in the canyons. Off the top of my head I can think of; the Forest Service, EPA, Corp of Engineers, DEQ, Division of Water Quality, Salt Lake County Health Department, FCOZ, Salt Lake City Public Utilities, Salt Lake County Planning, Mountainous Planning Commission, Mountainous Planning District, the Central Wasatch Commission and now the proposed Federal Designation. At least one dozen different entities and organizations all claiming to protect the canyons. When does it stop? How many more groups, organizations or management schemes do we really need?